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SUMMARY OF THE ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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OF THE

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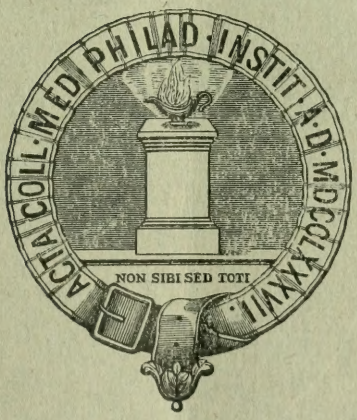
FOR THE YEAR 1904



SUMMARY OF THE REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR 1904.

The number of volumes now in the Library is (1909 more than were reported last year)	71,526

In addition:

Unbound Reports and Transactions number	6,807
Unbound Theses and Dissertations number	18,492
Unbound Pamphlets number	66,066
The General Library contains	54,856
The Lewis Library contains	13,284
The S. D. Gross Library contains	3,169
The Obstetrical Society Library contains	217

Three hundred and thirty-six dollars have been received from the sale of duplicates, besides a number that have been disposed of by exchange, but there are still 2858 on hand.

The Library receives regularly, by purchase or exchange, 442 medical periodicals—79 American and 363 foreign—32 more than last year; and in addition 208 American and 92 foreign current periodicals have been received, in most cases the exchanges of medical journals published in Philadelphia and sent to the Library through the courtesy of their editors.

Eight hundred and fifty-two dissertations have been received.

There have been received during the year, from all source 3889 volumes, 8920 pamphlets, and 36,921 numbers of medical periodicals.

Of the 626 new publications added to the Library, 32 were written or edited by Fellows of the College.

The "Donors" to the Library during the year number 287, of whom each of the following named presented 25 volumes or more:

Estate of Dr. T. M. Drysdale	958	volumes
Dr. T. D. Myers	211	"
Philadelphia Polyclinic	189	"
Dr. Francis R. Packard	152	"

Dr. Hobart A. Hare	144	volumes.
Dr. John B. Roberts	105	"
Mrs. V. Dunglison	45	"
Dr. Charles K. Mills	45	"
Dr. Arthur Van Harlingen	42	"
Dr. T. S. K. Morton	40	"
Dr. Rebecca Fleisher	37	"
Dr. H. H. Kynett	34	"
Dr. Charles Shaffner	32	"
Dr. George W. Norris	30	"
Pennsylvania Hospital	28	"

The Publishing House of

W. B. Saunders & Company has presented	30	"
F. A. Davis Company " "	14	"
P. Blakiston's Son & Co. " "	13	"
J. B. Lippincott Company " "	12	"
Lea Brothers & Company " "	7	"

The following gentlemen have presented a large number of pamphlets and journals: Drs. Allis, Atkinson, Davis, Dulles, Drysdale, Dunglison, Edsall, Fisher, Flick, Frazier, Gibb, Gould, Griffith, Hare, Harlan, Henry, Jopson, Keen, Kelly, Kynett, Martin, Mays, S. W. and J. K. Mitchell, Morris, Neilson, Noble, Oliver, Packard, Rhein, Riesman, Sailer, Sajous, de Schweinitz, Scott, Swan, C. F., J. G. and J. J. Taylor, Van Harlingen, Wharton, White, Willson, Witherstine, and H. C. Wood, Jr.; also the Pathological Society, The Philadelphia Polyclinic, and J. B. Lippincott Company.

The following amounts have been expended for the purchase of books by the various Funds:—

Henrietta Rush Fales Baker Fund, 52 volumes	$168 42
Luther S. Bent Fund, 14 volumes	25 04
William T. Carter Fund, 36 volumes	139 26
John D. Griscom Fund, 116 volumes	250 90
William F. Jenks Fund, 79 volumes	316 11
Oliver A. Judson Fund, 12 volumes	61 44
Wm. V. and John M. Keating Fund, 18 volumes	47 40
W. W. Keen Fund, 66 volumes	137 95
Library Endowment Fund, 168 volumes	665 74
Weir Mitchell Fund, 64 volumes	337 23
Philadelphia Medical Society Fund, 7 volumes	40 25
Lewis Rodman Fund, 52 volumes	187 94
J. F. Weightman Fund, 22 volumes	66 03
Caspar Wistar Fund, 68 volumes	181 10

Special Accounts:

Fund for completing files of journals, 120 volumes		$269 75
Journal Association, 20 volumes . .	(about)	113 00
New Book Fund, 41 volumes		91 38
J. Ewing Mears Account, 29 volumes . . .		105 55
S. D. Gross Library, 47 volumes		172 35

One thousand two hundred and fifty-five volumes have been bound—217 more than last year.

The number of visitors to the Library is 6467—an increase of 217. Number of books taken out, 4885—1372 more than in the preceding year; 18,624 books were supplied by the Librarian for consultations in the Library—an increase of 1528 over last year, and a large number were taken directly from the shelves by Fellows of the College.

The cataloguing work is progressing satisfactorily. All new books and more important pamphlets have been catalogued and the cataloguing of the Hough collection and of the Norris Library has been completed. 21,739 cards have been revised—2175 more than during the last year. All the money collected for the purpose of revision has been expended and additional subscriptions are in order.

As usual the Library has been thoroughly cleaned during the summer and all the books have been examined and compared with the list. Heretofore we have been able to report that not a book has been missing, but this year three cannot be found. As they are not books that would be likely to be stolen, it is hoped that they have been mislaid in the crowding and shifting and may turn up safely at some future time.

Great credit is due to the employés of the Library for maintaining so well the order and accessibility of the books and the usefulness of the Library in spite of its overcrowded condition. Their work is being done under most unfavorable and discouraging conditions, but is being done well.

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